are organized in collaboraiton with States/UTs, and assistance is provided through SAI at the rate of Rs. 50,000/- and Rs. 25,000/- per discipline to the States and UTs respectively. For National-level tournaments, a grant of Rs. 2,50,000/- per discipline is provided to SAI for organizing the tournament separately for men and women in various States by rotation.

In order to broad-based games and sports in the North-Eastern States and to tap talent, the Government of India provides enhanced assistance of Rs. 50,000/- and Rs. 75,000/- per discipline for district and State-level competitions respectively.

(d) No specific proposal has been received from Andhra Pradesh for the release of funds during the year 2004-05 and 2005-06.

Selection process for the Commonwealth Games

243. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the selection process of sportsmen/sportswomen have been completed for the Commonwealth Games in 2010;

(b) if so, the gender-wise number of candidates for each games and the details of training programmes conducted; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The selection of sportspersons for such events is done by the National Sports Federations concerned through a duly constituted Selection Committee some months before the actual event. The selections for the Commonwealth Games-2010 will also be done accordingly some time before the Games which will be held in October 2010.